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EMBASSY MADRID PASS MAAG

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: CONSTRUCTION OF U.S. DESIGNED SHIPS IN SPAIN FOR  
SALE TO IRAN

REF: JUSMG MAAG 120838Z FEB 76 (NOTAL)

REFTEL REPORTS SPANISH NAVY'S INTEREST IN CONSTRUCTION OF SEA  
CONTROL OF PATROL FRIGATE GYPE SHIPS BY SPANISH FIRM ACCORD-  
ING TO U.S. DESIGN AND WITH USG PERMISSION FOR SALE TO IRAN.  
KETTER FROM SPANISH NAVY REFERS TO "RECENTLY SIGNED TREATY  
AND THE PROVISIONS FOR INCREASED U.S. TECHNOLOGICAL  
ASSISTANCE" TO SPAIN. WE DOUBT THAT GOI, HAVING REDUCED  
ORDER FOR SPRUANCE SHIPS, WOULD BE INTERESTED IN PROPOSAL  
FOR ACQUISITION OF ADDITIONAL SHIPS AT THIS TIME. IN  
FACT, COMMANDER OF IIN RECENTLY TOLD CHIEF OF MAAG NAVY  
SECTION THAT HE HAS NO IMMEDIATE PLANS FOR NEW SHIPS.  
NAVY SECTION CHIEF FEELS CERTAIN THAT IRANIAN NAVY KNOWS  
NOTHING ABOUT SPANISH SHIP CONSTRUCTION PROPOSAL.  
ACQUISITION OF NEW SHIPS FROM SPAIN WOULD SEVERELY  
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COMPLICATE IIN'S EXISTING MANNING, FACILITIES AND LOGISTICS

PROBLEMS, HOPE THAT WASHINGTON AGENCIES  
WILL NOT ENCOURAGE THIS SPANISH INITIATIVE.  
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